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Hello Wilma.

Based on our tour with the various DOH agency managers this morning, I believe it is imperative that WMH begin pumping the stormwater that is left in the area south of cell six immediately in order to expose the submerged leachate risers. As noted today, these risers were taken out of service during the subject storms and need to be functional prior to our resuming placement of waste in cell 6. While I believe our meeting today was very positive and we provided a good explanation of why this stormwater was not contaminated (the samples came back below our discharge limits), we did not receive an approval from DOH to pump this off as stormwater. Therefore, we intend to begin pumping from this lower area today and expect to pump approximately 100,000 gallons per day until we have re-established the water level necessary to re-connect the leachate system. This water will be sent to the POTW. As I stated today, we only have 2-4 weeks of airspace available outside of cell 6, which makes this action necessary. We would be forced to cease operations once available airspace is consumed. I suggest that you minimize any amounts of waste routed to us as much as possible until we are back in cell 6.

We will invoice the City for the cost of this pumping event under the terms of the "unforeseen costs" section of Amendment 6 to our contract with the City. Additionally, we are now beginning to receive contractor costs associated with preventing a catastrophic event during the recent storms and will need to sit down with you to discuss payment. I will contact you about this next week.

Thank you for setting up the meeting with the various agency heads. Please let me know of any feedback that you receive from them.

Best regards,

Joe

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